

MENTAL HEALTH WORKGROUP MEETING
PREFERRED DRUG LIST
JULY 23, 2004

Attendees: Bobbi Renner
Gary Mihelish
Jim Fitzgerald
Duane Preshinger
Chuck Hunter
Mark Eichler
Bruce Edgred
Jenny Lynch
Julie Maggiolo

Chuck opened meeting with an explanation regarding the purpose of the group.

Duane added that the workgroup should complete their evaluations by November.

Workgroup members then introduced themselves and gave a brief explanation on their reasons for volunteering for this workgroup.

Bruce gave an overview of the PDL process. The Formulary Committee will discuss three things: 1. Determine which drugs that should not be on PDL. 2. Review drugs in the same therapeutic class in regards to fiscal responsibility. 3. Review drugs in the same therapeutic class and determine if generic is as effective as brand.

Mark clarified what role the DUR board (Formulary Committee) will play in the PDL process.

Floor was opened for a Q&A session.

Committee determined the following items to undertake:

1. Grandfather process/equal protection
2. Grievance hearing process
3. Off label usage
4. Algorithms and other methodologies
5. Evaluation of the effect of the PDL on mental health patients
6. Education of provider and patients

These items will be discussed in the order they appear. Committee decided not to put a time limit on discussion for any one item. Will move on to the next topic once committee is in agreement.

Next meeting will be Friday, August 20th from 1:00 to 4:00 pm in the Sanders Building, room 207. Meetings will then be scheduled every 3 weeks in the Sanders Building, room 207.